

**IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Masahiro KATO et al.

Conf. 4201

Application No. **10/586,488**

Group 2627

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INFORMATION RECORDING APPARATUS AND METHOD, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM

**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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March 30, 2009

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully  
submitted in response to the Office Action of December 30, 2008

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing  
of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.